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The Honorable Joseph E. Macmanus Executive Secretary United States Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Ambassador Macmanus:

In reply to your January 16, 2015, memorandum, enclosed is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's response to the application by TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, L.P. for a Presidential permit that would authorize construction, connection, operation and maintenance of pipeline facilities on the U.S. border with Canada in Phillips County, near Morgan, Mont., for the importing of crude oil.

I am pleased to provide this information, as you requested, and trust that the Department of State will find it helpful.

Sincerely,

Eric E. Wachter

Director

Enclosure